the additive to such extent that the continued safety, purity, potency, and effectiveness of the final product will not be adversely affected.

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§ 640.81 Processing.

(a) *Date of manufacture.* The date of manufacture shall be the date of final sterile filtration of a uniform pool of bulk solution.

(b) *Processing method.* The processing method shall not affect the integrity of the product, and shall have been shown to yield consistently a product which is safe for intravenous injection.

(c) *Microbial contamination.* All processing steps shall be conducted in a manner to minimize the risk of contamination from either microorganisms or other deleterious matter. Preservatives to inhibit growth of microorganisms shall not be used during processing.

(d) *Storage of bulk fraction.* Bulk concentrate to be held more than 1 week prior to further processing shall be stored in clearly identified closed vessels at a temperature of —5° C or colder. Any other bulk form of the product, exclusive of the sterile bulk solution, to be held more than 1 week prior to further processing shall be stored in clearly identified closed vessels at a temperature of 5° C or colder. Any bulk fraction to be held one week or less prior to further processing shall be stored in clearly identified closed vessels at a temperature of 5° C or colder.

(e) *Heat treatment.* Heating of the final containers of Albumin (Human) shall begin within 24 hours after completion of filling. Heat treatment shall be conducted so that the solution is heated for not less than 10 or more than 11 hours at an attained temperature of 60°±0.5° C.

(f) *Stabilizer.* Either 0.16 millimole sodium acetyltryptophanate, or 0.08 millimole sodium acetyltryptophanate and 0.08 millimole sodium caprylate shall be added per gram of albumin as a stabilizer.

(g) *Incubation.* All final containers of Albumin (Human) shall be incubated at 20° to 35° C for at least 14 days following the heat treatment prescribed in paragraph (e) of this section. At the end of this incubation period, each final container shall be examined and all containers showing any indication of turbidity or microbial contamination shall not be issued. The contents of turbid final containers shall be examined microscopically and tested for sterility. If growth occurs, organisms shall be identified as to genus, and the material from such containers shall not be used for further manufacturing.

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§ 640.82 Tests on final product.

Tests shall be performed on the final product to determine that it meets the following standards:

(a) *Protein content.* Final product shall conform to one of the following concentrations: 4.0±0.25 percent; 5.0±0.30 percent; 20.0±1.2 percent; and 25.0±1.5 percent solution of protein.

(b) *Protein composition.* At least 96 percent of the total protein in the final product shall be albumin, as determined by a method that has been approved for each manufacturer by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration.

(c) *Hydrogen ion concentration.* The pH shall be 6.9±0.5 when measured in a solution of the final product diluted to a concentration of 1 percent protein with 0.15 molar sodium chloride.

(d) *Sodium content.* The sodium content of the final product shall be 130 to 160 milliequivalents per liter.

(e) *Heme content.* The absorbance at 403 nanometers of a solution of the final product diluted to a concentration of 1 percent protein in a cell with a 1-centimeter light path shall not exceed 0.25.

(f) *Heat stability.* A final container sample of Albumin (Human) shall remain unchanged, as determined by visual inspection, after heating at 57° C for 50 hours, when compared to its control consisting of a sample, from the same lot, which has not undergone this heating.

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